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GOVERNMENT OF MALDIVES LAUNCHES DHIRAAGU IPO PROSPECTUS

The Government of the Maldives has announced an Initial Public Offering (IPO) for shares in Dhiraagu, the Maldives business of Cable & Wireless Communications (CWC).

CWC owns 52% of shares in Dhiraagu and has management control. The Government, which owns 48% of shares, announced its intention to reduce its shareholding on 24 August 2011. Dhiraagu will be listed and trade on the Maldives Stock Exchange.

The Dhiraagu IPO prospectus was launched by the President of the Maldives, His Excellency Mohamed Nasheed. The Government is making 11,400,000 ordinary shares available at an offer price of 80 Rufiyaa per share (about US\$5.19).

The subscription period will open on 25 October 2011 and will close on 30 November 2011. Dhiraagu shares are expected to begin trading in late December 2011.

For more information, please visit: http://www.dhiraagu.com.mv/

About Cable & Wireless Communications

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